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United States District Court
Western District of Texas
El Paso Division

INITIAL APPEARANCE / PLEA AND SENTENCE

Case Number: EP:19-M -05696(1) MAT

DEFENDANT'S NAME:
 Jhonder Alberto Romero-Dota

ATTY FOR DEFENDANT:
 Xavier Alejandro Mendez

JUDGE: Miguel A. Torres
 DEPUTY CLERK: Rita R Velez
 COURT REPORTER: ERO

AUSA: Spencer Kiggins
 INTERPRETER: ☒ Yes ☐ No
 PROB. OFFICER: _____
 PRETRIAL OFFICER: _____
 TIME: Minutes 3:16 - 4:05

DATE: June 05, 2019

PROCEEDINGS	DFT NO.	[DftNo1]	[DftNo2]
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<input type="checkbox"/> Oral Order Granting Oral Motion to Remit Special Assessment		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SENTENCING HELD: Defendant sentenced to Time Served; No Fine; S/A REMITTED.			

OTHER: _____

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, EL PASO DIVISION

FILED
06/05/2019
Clerk, U.S. District Court
Western District of Texas

By: RRV
Deputy

USA
vs.
(1) JHONDER ALBERTO ROMERO-DOTA

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§ CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
§ CASE NUMBER: EP:19-M -05696(1) - MAT
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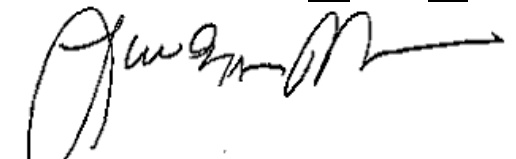
I, the undersigned complainant being duly sworn state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On or about **05/28/2019** in **El Paso** county, in the **WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS** defendant did, being an alien to the United States, knowingly enter and attempt to enter the United States at a time and place other than as designated by immigration officers in violation of Title **8** United States Code, Section(s) **1325(a)(1)**.

I further state that I am a(n) **Border Patrol Agent** and that this complaint is based on the following facts: *"The Defendant, Jhonder Alberto ROMERO-Dota, an alien to the United States and a citizen of Ecuador, entered the United States from the Republic of Mexico by crossing the Rio Grande River on May 28, 2019 , approximately 1 mile west of the Bridge of the Americas Port-of-Entry at El Paso, Texas , in the Western District of Texas. The place where the Defendant entered is not designated as a Port of Entry by immigration officers."*

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part of hereof:

☒ Yes ☐ No

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,



Signature of Complainant
Rodriguez, Luis Enrique
Border Patrol Agent

06/05/2019
File Date

at EL PASO, Texas
City and State

MIGUEL A. TORRES
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE



Signature of Judicial Officer

CONTINUATION OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

(1) JHONDER ALBERTO ROMERO-DOTA

FACTS (CONTINUED)

The Defendant, Jhonder Alberto ROMERO-Dota, an alien to the United States and a citizen of Ecuador, entered the United States from the Republic of Mexico by crossing the Rio Grande River on May 28, 2019 , approximately 1 mile west of the Bridge of the Americas Port-of-Entry at El Paso, Texas , in the Western District of Texas. The place where the Defendant entered is not designated as a Port of Entry by immigration officers.

Because this affidavit is being submitted for the limited purpose of establishing probable cause as set forth herein, I have not included each and every fact known to me concerning this investigation.

IMMIGRATION HISTORY:
NONE

CRIMINAL HISTORY:
NONE

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ORDER APPOINTING COUNSEL

The above Defendant has testified under oath, or has otherwise satisfied this Court that he or she is financially unable to employ counsel, and does not wish to waive counsel.

Therefore, in the interests of justice, Xavier Alejandro Mendez, is hereby appointed, pursuant to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Act, to represent said Defendant in this case.

This appointment shall remain in effect until further order of the Court.

It is, accordingly, so **ORDERED** this the 5th day of June, 2019.


MIGUEL A. TORRES
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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EL PASO DIVISION**

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ORDER SETTING INITIAL APPEARANCE/PLEA & SENTENCE

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above entitled and numbered case is set before the **HONORABLE U.S. MAGISTRATE MIGUEL A. TORRES** for **INITIAL APPEARANCE/PLEA & SENTENCE**, **June 05, 2019 at 02:30 PM** in **Magistrate Courtroom, Room 712**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of Court shall send a copy of this order to the defendant, counsel for defendant, the United States Attorney, U.S. Pretrial Services, United States Probation Office, and any surety or custodian, if applicable. Further, counsel for the defendant shall notify the defendant of this setting. If the defendant is on bond, he/she shall be present.

IT IS SO ORDERED this **06/05/2019**.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Miguel A. Torres", is written over a horizontal line.

**MIGUEL A. TORRES
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

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JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE
(For A Petty Offense) - Short Form

The defendant, Jhonder Alberto Romero-Dota, was represented by counsel, Xavier Alejandro Mendez.

The defendant pled guilty to the complaint on June 05, 2019. Accordingly, the defendant is adjudged guilty of the following offense(s):

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Date of Offense</u>
8 USC 1325(a)(1)	IMPROPER ENTRY BY AN ALIEN	May 28, 2019

As pronounced on June 05, 2019, the defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons for a term of **Time Served**. The defendant shall remain in custody pending service of sentence.

The special assessment imposed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3013 is hereby remitted pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3573 because reasonable efforts to collect this assessment are not likely to be effective.

Signed this the 5th day of June, 2019.


 MIGUEL A. TORRES
 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE